

**TOWN BOARD MEETING, TOWN OF AUGUSTA**  
**February 19, 2020**

A meeting of the Town Board of the Town of Augusta, County of Oneida and the State of New York was held at Town Hall, 185 North Main Street, Oriskany Falls, NY on Wednesday, the 19th day of February 2020.

PRESENT:      Suzanne Collins            Supervisor  
                 James Dowd                 Councilman  
                 Charles Peck                 Councilman  
                 Mark Russell                Councilman  
                 Travis Wright               Councilman  
                 Sonya Furness              Clerk

The annual 2019 Judicial Audit took place at 5:30PM with Judge Garry Johnson and Geri Cook.

The Town Board meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Supervisor Collins with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC PRESENT: Steve Roys, Dave Barnett of GAR, Jason Spooner, Keith Williams, Paul Sykes, Adam Brouillette and Andy Schlabach.

Mr. Dave Barnett of GAR gave a question and answer session in regards to the presented Revaluation program. Board members and the public present asked questions on the process, cost, BAR's and the Assessors role and the equalization prospect.

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

**RESOLUTION 6 - 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was  
**ADOPTED**    Ayes 5        Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
                 Nays 0

Resolved that the Town Board Minutes of January 15, 2020 be adopted.

**AUDIT OF CLAIMS:**

**RESOLUTION 7 - 2020**

Questions were asked about windshield, Diesel mate and mileage.

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Wright, the following resolution was  
**ADOPTED**    Ayes 5        Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
                 Nays 0

Resolved that the bills contained on Abstract #2 have been reviewed by the Town Board and are authorized for payment in the following amounts.

General Fund Full Town	voucher #'s 14 - 22	\$ 533.85
General Fund Part Town	voucher # 3	.30
Highway Fund Full Town	voucher # 2 - 13	5,325.51
Highway Fund Part Town	voucher #'s 5 - 13	7,713.93

**REPORT OF TOWN OFFICIALS:  
SUPERVISOR:**

Assets	Total
Augusta Light District	\$ 2,469.98
Equipment CD Gradall	0.00
Equipment Fund CD Truck	103,693.39
Fiduciary	0.00
Fire and Ambulance	63,835.85
Full Town Highway Checking	13,749.91
Full Town Highway Savings	58,873.52
Full Town General Savings	96,973.98
Full Town General Checking	2,680.98
Knoxboro Lights	2,691.92
Part Town General Checking	5,893.58
Part Town General Savings	6,577.94
Part Town Highway Checking	4,762.53
Part Town Highway Savings	127,452.71
Trust and Agency	3,399.43
Pick Up Truck CD	38,997.45
Knoxboro Flooding Repairs	7,223.44
Indian Land Claim Checking	0.00
Indian Land Claim Savings	338,521.68
Building Fund CD	50,000.00
Total Current Assets	\$ 927,798.29
Total Assets	\$ 927,798.29
Total Liabilities	0.00
Equity	
Net Income	46,557.95
Unresolved Equity	\$ 881,240.34
Total Equity	\$ 927,798.29
Total Liabilities and Equity	\$ 927,798.29

**RESOLUTION 8- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that the Supervisors SORES reports be accepted as submitted

**CODES:** Report Submitted

**ASSESSOR:** Report Submitted

**DCO:** Report Submitted

**JUDICIAL:** No Concerns

**HIGHWAY SUPERINTENDENT:** Asked to sell the 2010 Pickup at Auction.

**RESOLUTION 9- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Russell, the following resolution was  
**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that the 2010 pickup be listed with Auction International.

Superintendent Eaton also asked to list the Snow blower Loader on the auction site. Councilman Peck asked to have an appraisal done on the value. Further discussion will take place next month.

Superintendent Eaton is looking to replace the 2003 Freightliner. Further discussion will take place next month.

The Turbo on truck #25 that was replaced in June of 2019 is down again. Warranty is being checked into.

**TOWN CLERK:** Town Board signed a monthly reconciliation sheet for the Town Clerk Checking Account, verifying that the January bank statement and checkbook were in order.

Asked for authorized signors in regards to THOMA to authorize Drawdown # 6 in the amount of \$44,339.00. Councilmen Wright and Peck gave authorization.

Explained circumstances of email that was sent to board referencing snow removal and security of Town offices located at Village hall.

A short update was given regarding 2020 Tax Collection and where we stand after January's collection.

**SUPERVISOR:**

Supervisor asked for a Budget Adjustment for Insurance reasons. 2020 premium is higher with 2 newer vehicles added and a loss history at 67%

**RESOLUTION 10- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Wright, seconded by Councilman Dowd, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that \$2,100, come from A1990.4 and be put in A1910.4.

Permission was asked for the disposal of 2 printers and 1 fax machine used in the previous Judge's office.

**RESOLUTION 11- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Russell, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that equipment be disposed of in the proper manner and removed from inventory.

A donation is being requested for the Fireworks over the Falls event.

**RESOLUTION 12- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Dowd, seconded by Councilman Peck, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that \$150 be donated for the event.

**BOARD:**

Councilman Wright would like to have another company that does revaluations attend a meeting for comparative information purposes.

Questions were asked regarding the Assessors knowledge of windmill assessing being that the pilot is ending and if there were any updates concerning the Codes issue and apartments.

Councilman Dowd gave an update on work done and progress of Knoxboro Flooding issue and is attending an upcoming meeting with Supervisor Collins, Oneida County DPW and Soil and Water.

Supervisor Collins made a motion at 7:36 PM, seconded by Councilman Peck to enter into Executive Session to discuss the financial history of a particular person(s) or corporation.

At 7:40 PM, the board came out of Executive Session.

**RESOLUTION 12- 2020**

On a motion of Councilman Peck, seconded by Councilman Dowd, the following resolution was

**ADOPTED** Ayes 5 Collins, Dowd, Peck, Russell, Wright  
Nays 0

Resolved that the properties submitted by Thoma Development Consultants for review by Town Board for the housing grant are approved.

**With no further business, on a motion of Councilman Dowd seconded by Councilman Russell, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM. Carried unanimously.**

Respectively Submitted  
Sonya Furness